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Your reference

12 April, 2000  
Air Mail

Dear Mr. Stevens,

Thank you for your letter of 27 March about your family history. The Rector of Westbourne also passed on the letter you sent him. It seems simplest if I reply to both from the Record Office.

I had a quick look in the published list of Westbourne monumental inscriptions (published in *Sussex Archaeological Collections* Vol. 22 pp.201-213) but found none for a Stevens or a Windebank. Of course a large number of burials are not marked by gravestones and so it will be worth searching the burial registers. A check in the International Genealogical Index produced the marriage of George Stevens and Charlotte Windebank at Westbourne on 22 February 1827. It also produced three possible baptisms for George Stevens at Westbourne (as the enclosed photocopy indicates). There was no Sussex baptism for Charlotte Windebank – though it is quite possible that she may turn up in Hampshire as Westbourne lies at the county boundary.

I would strongly recommend you to visit this office when you come over in September as I think the most likely source material will be here. We have census indexes from 1841 to 1891 and the Westbourne parish registers right up to the 20<sup>th</sup> century – and there may well be other material which could prove helpful. I enclose details of our location, opening hours etc.

The family lore that associates William Stevens with the Navy is certainly credible as Westbourne could be said to be very much within the “catchment area” of Portsmouth. It is, I understand, very difficult to trace information about seamen, because up to 1856 the Navy did not keep any kind of central record of ratings – and the only way of tracing them is through the records of the individual ship in which they served. So I cannot offer much encouragement on this theme - but it would probably be worth an enquiry to the Portsmouth Record Office anyway. The address is Portsmouth City Record Office, Museum Road, Portsmouth, PO21 2LJ.

I hope you have a successful and enjoyable time when you come over in September.

Yours sincerely,

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COUNTRY	ENGLAND	COUNTY: SUSSEX	AS OF MAR 1992			SOURCE			
NAME	M=MALE F=FEMALE H=HUSBAND W=WIFE FATHER / MOTHER OR SPOUSE OR RELATIVE	T Y P E	EVENT DATE	TOWN, PARISH	B	E	S	BATCH/ FILM NO	SERIAL/ SHEET
STEVENS, GEORGE		M	C	12JUL1801	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5422
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/CHARLOTTE	M	C	12AUG1802	WEST WITTERING			04MAR1980OK	M071321 0800
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH HELLYER	M	C	19DEC1802	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5520
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/ELIZTH	M	C	08SEP1805	HEATHFIELD, INDEPENDENT	-NC			
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/HANNAH	M	C	25NOV1805	WESTBOURNE	22APR1975PV	21MAY1975PV	20JUN1975PV	C042191 0490
STEVENS, GEORGE	SAMUEL STEVENS/LUCY	M	C	11MAR1807	WARBLETON	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5745
STEVENS, GEORGE	FRANCES ELLIOTT	H	M	10JUL1808	HURSTPIERPOINT			05DEC1979LG	M042841 1150
STEVENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEVENS/SARAH	M	C	16OCT1808	DONNINGTON	31OCT1978PV	02DEC1978PV	02FEB1979PV	C070662 1582
STEVENS, GEORGE	/SARAH STEVENS	M	C	07JAN1810	SEAFORD	30JUN1978SL	03AUG1978SL		C070371 0838
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOSEPH STEVENS/MARY	M	C	28JAN1810	PETWORTH	27MAY1989SE	21SEP1989SE	05OCT1989SE	J148481 2854
STEVENS, GEORGE	/ELIZABETH STEVENS	M	C	30AUG1812	EDBURTON	28NOV1978AZ	07FEB1979AZ		C070891 13893
STEVENS, GEORGE	JAMES STEVENS/SUSAN	M	C	15AUG1813	WESTBOURNE	24JUN1967IF	08AUG1967IF	23SEP1969SL	P014001 1774
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOSEPH STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M	C	24JAN1814	PAGHAM	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	23FEB1979SL	C070171 6276
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH CARTER	H	M	11APR1819	PETWORTH			29JAN1980OK	M070881 0013
STEVENS, GEORGE	JAMES STEVENS/JANE	M	C	25AUG1819	PETWORTH	29NOV1978AZ	08FEB1979AZ	28MAR1979AZ	C070891 14718
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M	C	19MAR1820	LEWES, TABERNACLE HIGH	29NOV1978AZ	08FEB1979AZ	28MAR1979AZ	C070891 14758
STEPHENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEPHENS/FANNY	M	C	<1822>	EASTBOURNE	18JUL1978PV	05OCT1978PV	04NOV1978PV	C076171 0024
STEVENS, GEORGE	MRS. GEORGE STEVENS	H	M	<1822>	EASTBOURNE			24MAR1989NZ	F186130 0006
STEVENS, MRS. GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS	W	M	08JUL1826	LODSWORTH	12APR1980WA	06JUN1980WA	17JUN1980WA	F186130 0006
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/ANN	M	C	09JUL1826	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	BAPTIST			C070771 3083
STEVENS, GEORGE	BENJEMAN STEVENS/DELIA	M	B	30OCT1826	FRANT	02MAY1980MT	06SEP1980MT	18SEP1980MT	C093021 0160
STEVENS, GEORGE	HARRIET COLEMAN	H	M	1827	EASTBOURNE			02DEC1989AZ	M148461 1374
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/	M	B	22SEP1827	WESTBOURNE	31AUG1988NZ	07JAN1989NZ	17MAR1989NZ	1860130 6
STEVENS, GEORGE	CHARLOTTE WINDEBANK	H	M	30DEC1827	WOOLBEDING			08SEP1981SL	M070171 2063
STEVENS, GEORGE	STEPHEN STEVENS/JANE	M	C	03FEB1828	WESTBOURNE	12JUL1978WA	20OCT1978WA	09NOV1978WA	C071341 0407
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEPHENS/CHARLOTTE	M	C	15JUN1828	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	23FEB1979SL	C070171 7248
STEVENS, GEORGE	CHARLES STEPHENS/SUSAN	M	C	22JUN1828	LURGASHALL	21NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	23FEB1979SL	C070171 7280
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/HANNAH	M	C	04JAN1829	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	08DEC1978WA	06MAR1979WA	29MAR1979WA	C070781 3734
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/ANN	M	B	04JAN1829	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	BAPTIST			
STEVENS, GEORGE	MARY TIPPER	H	M	28MAR1829	BRIGHTON, SAINT NICHOLAS	02MAY1980MT	09SEP1980MT	18SEP1980MT	C093021 0212
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH WALKER	H	M	28JUN1829	BUXTED			08SEP1981SL	M070171 2084
STEVENS, GEORGE	SAMUEL STEVENS/ANNE	M	C	01DEC1829	SOUTH BERTSD	26APR1988OG	31AUG1988OG	26JUL1989JR	M147935 0175
STEVENS, GEORGE	EDMUND STEEVENS/HANNAH	M	C	03JAN1830	WESTBOURNE	06JUL1978SG	10NOV1978SG	06SEP1988OG	J152042 0847
STEVENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEPHENS/FRANCES	M	C	25APR1830	PATCHAM	22NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	15NOV1978SG	C070111 1145
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ZILPAH	M	C	17FEB1833	LEWES, ALL SAINTS	13FEB1990SG	23JUN1990SG	31JUL1990SG	C070171 7396
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOHN STEPHENS/ALICE	M	C	16MAR1834	SEAFORD	CLEARED	CLEARED	CLEARED	J148321 1753
STEVENS, GEORGE	THOMAS PARKS STEVENS/MARTHA	M	C	14SEP1834	RINGMER	14FEB1990SG	18JUL1990SG	15AUG1990SG	J148091 4056
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M	C	28MAR1836	HURSTPIERPOINT	03DEC1988NZ	28APR1989NZ	30JUN1989NZ	C148332 1025
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M	C	17APR1836	LEWES, TABERNACLE HIGH	31OCT1978PV	06JAN1979PV	30JAN1979PV	C070662 5893
STEVENS, GEORGE	EDWARD STEVENS/SELINA	M	C	14FEB1837	TICEHURST	18JUL1978PV	05OCT1978PV	04NOV1978PV	C076171 0223
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZA PENIGAR	H	M	08JUL1838	KIRDFORD			06SEP1979LG	M013842 2094
STEVENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEVENS/MARTHA	M	C	22DEC1839	STREET	02NOV1978PV	10FEB1979PV	20FEB1979PV	C070701 7691
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/MARY	M	C	22APR1841	KIRDFORD	12MAY1989LG	13JUL1989LG	18AUG1989LG	C042752 0020
STEVENS, GEORGE	HANNAH BOXALL	H	M	05MAY1844	KIRDFORD			11SEP1981SL	M070701 2226
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ANN	M	C	11OCT1846	WESTBOURNE	02NOV1978PV	10FEB1979PV	17FEB1979PV	C070701 8089
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/MARY	M	C	23FEB1851	LEWES, ALL SAINTS	25NOV1978SL	13JAN1979SL	28FEB1979SL	C070171 8427
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOHN STEPHENS/JANE	M	C	02JUN1851	KIRDFORD	12JUN1991OG	18JUL1991OG	13AUG1991OG	C148092 0350
STEVENS, GEORGE	RHODA THOMAS	H	M	25OCT1851	BOSHAM			11SEP1981SL	M070701 2367
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZA ANN WEDGE	H	M	12DEC1851	PETWORTH			21SEP1981SL	M070161 1477
STEVENS, GEORGE	CHARLES STEVENS/SARAH	M	C	04JUL1852	BUXTED	05DEC1978AZ	10FEB1979AZ	29MAR1979AZ	C070891 18211
STEVENS, GEORGE	MATHEW STEEVENS/JANE	M	C	15MAY1853	UCKFIELD	26APR1988OG	01SEP1988OG	06SEP1988OG	J152042 1967
STEVENS, GEORGE	LOIS WEAR	H	M	24DEC1854	HELLINGLY			13FEB1986PV	8524031 19
STEVENS, GEORGE	EMILY JAMES	H	M	13JUL1856	LURGASHALL			28JUN1989LG	M025283 0455
STEVENS, GEORGE	/FANNY STEVENS	M	C	06SEP1856	NEWHAVEN	09DEC1978WA	07MAR1979WA	05JUN1991MT	C070781 4509
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZA STOCKS	H	M						M148292 0588

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A = ADULT CHRISTENING B = BIRTH C = CHRISTENING D = DEATH OR BURIAL  
F = BIRTH OR CHRISTENING OF FIRST KNOWN CHILD M = MARRIAGE N = CENSUS W = WILL  
ALL OTHERS = MISCELLANEOUS